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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF DAILY PRESS BRIEFING, MAY 20, 1976

NO. 6

FOLLOWING ARE SPOKESMAN'S REPLIES TO QUESTIONS FROM PRESS  
AT DAILY BRIEFING THURSDAY, MAY 20, 1976:

(1) REPORT OF SECRETARY'S STATEMENT TO NATO MINISTERS THAT  
SOVIETS ARE NOT SEEKING WORLD DOMINATION" -- WHEN ASKED IF  
THIS WAS MISQUOTE, SPOKESMAN SAID HE HAD NOT SEEN REPORT AND  
SUGGESTED THAT QUESTION BE ADDRESSED TO SECRETARY'S PARTY.

(2) PNE -- WHEN ASKED ABOUT TARGET DATE FOR SIGNING OF  
AGREEMENT, SPOKESMAN REPLIED THAT ARRANGEMENTS ARE GOING  
FORWARD FOR SIGNING IN THE NEAR FUTURE BUT WE COULD NOT  
HAZARD GUESS ON HOW SOON THAT WOULD BE. TIME AND CIRCUM-  
STANCES OF CEREMONY HAVE TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH WISHES OF  
BOTH PARTIES. TIME WAS NOT RIGHT LAST WEEK AND SIGNING WAS  
POSTPONED; DISCUSSIONS CONTINUING REGARDING APPROPRIATE  
MOMENT. WHITE HOUSE MAKES FINAL DECISION AS TO WHEN SIGN-  
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ING OF A DOCUMENT OF THIS IMPORTANCE IS GOING TO TAKE

PLACE. SPOKESMAN HELD TO THIS POSITION UNDER REPEATED QUESTIONING, CONCLUDING THAT IT HAS BEEN MADE AMPLY CLEAR THAT EVERYONE IN ADMINISTRATION WOULD LIKE SIGNING OF PNE TO TAKE PLACE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND THAT TIME WOULD BE DECIDED UPON BY WHITE HOUSE. SPOKESMAN DECLINED TO SPECULATE ON WHETHER PNE WILL BE SIGNED BEFORE JUNE 8. HE ALSO SAID DEPARTMENT NOT AWARE OF ANY INDICATION OF DIMINISHING INTEREST IN PNE BY SOVIETS.

(3) CUBAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER RODRIQUEZ STATEMENTS -- HAD NOT HAD TIME TO DIGEST FULLY BUT CAN SAY THAT PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY HAVE MADE OUR POSITION CLEAR ON NEGOTIATING RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH CUBA. WITH REGARD TO CUBAN INTENTIONS IN RHODESIA, WE WOULD HOPE THAT RODRIQUEZ'S SPEECH IS ACCURATE REPRESENTATION OF CUBAN INTENTIONS, BUT CAN SAY NO MORE THAN THAT. SECRETARY RECENTLY SAID THAT THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY OF ANY DISCUSSIONS WITH CUBA ABOUT NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS AS LONG AS CUBAN MILITARY FORCES ARE STATIONED IN AFRICA, AND UNLESS THERE IS SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE IN CUBAN ATTITUDE, PROCESS OF IMPROVING RELATIONS CAN BE CONSIDERED SUSPENDED.

(4) PUERTO RICAN GOVERNOR AND CHARGES THAT CUBA HAD HEIGHTENED SUPPORT OF ALLEGED SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES -- WE ARE AWARE OF CUBAN CONTACT WITH AND RHETORICAL SUPPORT OF OBJECTIVES OF PUERTO RICAN SOCIALIST PARTY AND WILL CERTAINLY FOLLOW THESE CAREFULLY. ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT ASPECT WITH REGARD TO PUERTO RICO WOULD BE WITHIN JUSTICE DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITY.

(5) ATTACK ON CUBAN FISHING VESSELS -- NOTHING SINCE LAST TIME QUESTION POSED, BUT SUGGEST CHECK WITH JUSTICE DEPARTMENT.

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